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MOSTYN MORENO FOUNDATION HELPS LAUNCH "GIVE THESE HEARTS A RIDE" CAMPAIGN

The Mostyn Moreno Foundation has teamed up with the H.E.A.R.T. Program to raise funds for a minivan to help adults with disabilities receive training and obtain employment.

HOUSTON, TEXAS - MARCH 22, 2014 - The Glenda Jean Mostyn and Joe E. Moreno Educational Foundation (Mostyn Moreno Foundation) has partnered with the H.E.A.R.T. Program to support the "Give These HEARTs a Ride" campaign on fundraising site Razoo.

The Health, Entrepreneurship, and Readiness Training (H.E.A.R.T.) Program is a Houstonbased nonprofit dedicated to helping adults with disabilities obtain meaningful employment and independent lives. The "Give These HEARTs a Ride" campaign is hoping to raise enough funds to expand the program's vehicle fleet, which transports adults with disabilities to work and training.

"Every person deserves a chance to support themselves," said Monte Osburn, executive director of the Mostyn Moreno Foundation. "The HEART program provides a realistic option for Texans with disabilities to train for a job and obtain sustaining employment."

HEART trainees operate and maintain over 70 vending machines in the Houston area. The program also sends its members to over 150 concession events annually, including BBVA Compass Stadium as the exclusive vendor of Papa John's Pizza. The HEART Program ensures that each trainee is prepared for employment and receives minimum wage or higher. The need for transportation to training and work fostered the "Give These HEARTs a Ride" campaign on Razoo.

"Something as easily overlooked as transportation means a lot to HEART," said Osburn. "Their trainees can't drive and public transportation is inadequate to address the problem. We really hope people recognize the importance of this program and donate."

A video detailing the campaign can be found at Razoo (link included below). Donations to the campaign will go to the purchase of a new 2014 Kia Sedona LX minivan. Without reliable transportation, HEART trainees with disabilities will be unable to attend training and work. Along with the minivan, funds will also go toward a 10-year, 100,000 mile warranty and all required insurance coverage.

To donate to the "Give These HEARTs a Ride" Campaign, please visit http://www.razoo.com/ story/Give-These-Hearts-A-Ride.

Learn more about the H.E.A.R.T. Program by going to http://www.heartprogram.org.

To learn more about the Mostyn Moreno Foundation, please visit www.mostynmoreno.org.

About Mostyn Moreno Foundation

The Mostyn Moreno Foundation was created in 2006 by Houston trial lawyers Amber and Steve Mostyn to honor the memory of two caring Texans: Glenda Jean Mostyn, mother, grandmother, sister, and East Texas educator and Texas State Representative Joe E. Moreno, son, brother, friend, and legislator. Both cared very deeply about education and providing the best for children of Texas.

